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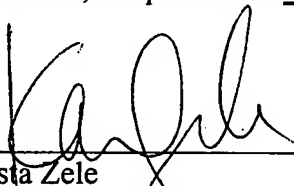
In re Application of:
Akira HIKIMURA, et al.
Application Serial No.: 10/679,492
Filed: October 7, 2003
For: **DISK RECORDING AND REPRODUCING
DEVICE**

**DECISION
ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition, filed on April 10, 2007 under 37 C.F.R. §1.181, requesting that the examiner acknowledge and consider the art cited in an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on December 21, 2006.

On March 6, 2007, the Office mailed a Notice of Allowability. Attached to the Notice was an initialed copy of the December 21, 2006 IDS 1449 form. A copy of the initialed 1449 form is attached to this decision.

Therefore, the petition is **DISMISSED**.



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Attachment: Initialed copy of the 12/21/06 IDS 1449 form provided with the NOA mailed 3/6/07.